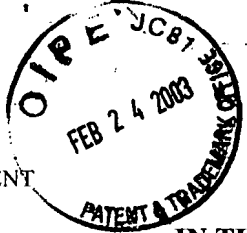


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Applicant: John E. Davis and Timothy P. Klonne
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